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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9015
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SUBJECT: DETAILS ON JULY 11 ATTACK ON DJIBOUTI - ADDIS
RAILROAD

REF: ADDIS ABABA 3039

1. FOLLOWING IS SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FROM VARIOUS SOURCES ON JULY 11 ATTACK REPORTED REFTEL.
2. TWO TRAINS WERE ATTACKED BY SMALL ARMS FIRE AT DEWELE 3 KILOMETERS INSIDE ETHIOPIAN TERRITORY FROM DJIBOUTI. NO EXPLOSIVES WERE USED AND NO DAMAGE WAS CAUSED TO THE TRACKS. ONE 1202 HP ENGINE WAS 90 PERCENT DESTROYED; THE OTHER 1313 HP ENGINE WAS 70 PERCENT DESTROYED. THE TRAIN CREWS SUFFERED CASUALTIES. VARIOUS SOURCES INDICATE BETWEEN 2 AND 4 KILLED.
3. ETHIOPIAN MEDIA HAVE HIGHLIGHTED THE ATTACK SINCE THE FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT. MEDIA TREATMENT INCLUDES CONVICTION ATTACK WAS UNDERTAKEN BY SOMALI GOVT FORCES IN NOMAD GARB,

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THAT ATTACK WAS PART OF STEADILY INCREASING PATTERN OF SOMALI SABOTAGE OF ETHIOPIA'S ECONOMIC INFRASTRUCTURE, A CONVICTION THAT SOMALIA IS PREPARING ANOTHER FULL SCALE INVASION, AND COMMENTS THAT WHILE ETHIOPIA AS A PEACELOVING NATION WILL CONTINUE TO EXERCISE MAXIMUM RESTRAINT, THE AGRESSORS WILL BE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR "THE BITTER AFTERMATH."
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